

THISTLES.

You ought to lay up something for a rainy day, said an anxious father to a profligate son.
And so I have, replied the youth.
What?
An umbrella.

A Carolina (N.C.) woman broke her leg while kicking her husband for kissing the milk-woman.

Two couples in Kansas entered into a courting match for the championship of State, and the victorious couple sat up forty-nine hours.

Ho, mug-gin' ho, mug-gin', from a jinn's hole-there is the way a Topeka belle warbles a popular song.

The man who returned his neighbor's borrowed umbrella was seen a day or two ago, walking in company with the young lady who passed a looking-glass without taking a peep. It is believed they are engaged.

A young student wants us to tell him if Worcester is a specific. Worcester, why Worcester don't spell Worcester?

There is a droll story of a man who lost a wager in Pueblo, Colorado. Stepping into a large liquor shop he offered to bet ten to one that he could blindfolded, tell the name of any liquor or wine in the house, or mixture of liquors, by the taste and smell. All went well until at first, he named all the celebrated brands correctly. Then they handed him a glass of water. He tasted, he sniffed, he tasted again, and at last, completely dismasted, he gave it up. Well boys, you have got me. It seems to me as if years ago, I struck something of that kind in the States, but it was so long ago I have entirely forgotten it.

A correspondent of the New Bedford Standard says that President Lincoln, on being asked his opinion of General Butler, responded in the following little story: while he was boating on the Mississippi, one dark night, the boat was led up to a bank where he met a blacksmith who was called Bobby. The blacksmith was engaged in forming a piece of iron, and the conversation ran in this wise: Bobby what are you making? I am making an axe. Why, Bobby, you can't make an axe out of that. It is not large enough. Well, I can make a hatchet out of it. Bobby kept on hammering awhile, without getting the metal into the intended shape, when the questioner remarked: Bobby, you see you can't make a hatchet out of that. You see it is not big enough. Well I can make a splitting wedge. But it is not large enough even for a wedge. Darn the thing, it will make a sizzle, anyhow, and, suiting the action to the word, threw the iron into a pall of cold water.

How to make an Indian loaf—give him a gallon of whiskey.

To make a little boy's trowsers last, when he caught him shaving the down of his upper lip, don't throw your shaving water out where there are any barefooted boys, for they might get their feet pricked.

John, said a father to his son one day when he caught him shaving the down of his upper lip, don't throw your shaving water out where there are any barefooted boys, for they might get their feet pricked.

A wag who thought to have a joke at the expense of an Irish provision dealer, said:—can you give me a yard of pork? Pat give this gentleman three pigs' feet.

A man from Placerville, Cal., when asked by a Saratoga waiter what he would have for breakfast, replied: Well I rather guess I'll just flop my lip over a chicken.

A Green Bay man called a young lady his precious darling little honey-dew of a blooming rosebud, and then stood a breach of promise suit before he would marry her.

John Henderson, suing for a divorce in Indiana, alleges that his wife trapped him by means of false hair, false eyebrows, false complexion a big bustle, and a deceitful tongue.

BROWN'S WOODEN WEDDING.

Brown, a young insurance friend of ours, who lives in Cambridge, had the fifth anniversary of his wedding occur about a week ago, and his friends determined to celebrate his wooden wedding by a surprise party. Brown came yesterday and told us how they succeeded. They commenced by sending a seven round with a team to take Brown and his wife out to ride at about seven o'clock. Then they began to come with presents and materials for supper. There was a little party of five came first, all laden-hands full. They all got nicely inside the garden gate, which shuts with a spring, when Brown's big mastiff, who is always left unchained in his master's absence, came round the corner and surprised them. One woman stepped out from her dress, and in her fall so demolished a fragile black-walnut book-case she carried that it was afterward dug up in a bundle and presented as kindling-wood. Another fellow got safely out of the card, all but part of his pants, while old Smithers, who weighs two hundred and twenty pounds, plunged wild, the eight-gallon pail of ice-cream he carried, through Brown's glass hot-house in the corner of the yard, and surprised some thirty dollars' worth of exotics. Finally they fixed things up and got into the house, and as it was about time for Brown's return they commenced laying the supper-table. They got down a tea-set of rare china that a friend of Brown's in the trade had loaned him a week before, and broke two plates, so that Brown has since been obliged to mortgage his hen-house and buy the set. And the comments of Mrs. Brown when she saw the condition of the carpet, were sarcastic in the extreme. Finally as a crowning touch, they tried to hang out Chinese lanterns with the words Welcome on them on the porch over the front door. They succeeded in hanging two lanterns, and when they had saved the house from the fiery flames there wasn't enough perch left to pay for the trouble in trying to hang out any more. Then they sat down and waited for Brown and his wife to come home. We draw the veil over the scenes that followed their return. Some scenes are too joyous to be described in cold cold words.

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